

PROPOSED PROVISION PERTAINING TO EXISTING APPROPRIATION, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, FISCAL YEARS 1937, 1938, AND 1939

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A PROPOSED PROVISION PERTAINING TO EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE FUNDS REQUIRED UNDER CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS TO MEET DEFICIENCIES OR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 1937, 1938, AND 1939, AGGREGATING \$951,000

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THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, February 16, 1939.

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a proposed provision pertaining to existing appropriations for the Post Office Department to provide funds required under certain appropriations to meet deficiencies or additional requirements for the fiscal years 1937, 1938, and 1939, aggregating \$951,000, by transfers from certain other appropriations under which balances are in excess of the actual or prospective needs thereof.

The details relating to this proposed provision, the necessity therefor, and the reason for its submission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget, transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,
Washington, February 15, 1939.

The PRESIDENT,
The White House.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration a proposed provision pertaining to appropriations for the Post Office Department to provide additional funds for contract air-mail service for the fiscal years 1937, 1938, and 1939 in the sums of \$130,000, \$211,000, and \$510,000, respectively, and for travel allowances for railway postal clerks for the fiscal year 1939 in the sum of \$100,000, in all \$951,000, by transfers from the unexpended balances of certain other appropriations for those fiscal years, as follows:

PROVISION AFFECTING EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE POST OFFICE
DEPARTMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 1937, 1938, AND 1939

Unexpended balances of appropriations for the Post Office Department are hereby transferred and made available for the purposes of the appropriations to which transferred, as follows: The sum of \$130,000 from "Foreign mail transportation, 1937" to "Contract air-mail service, 1937"; the sum of \$211,000 from "Foreign mail transportation, 1938" to "Contract air-mail service, 1938"; the sum of \$510,000 from "Foreign mail transportation, 1939" to "Contract air-mail service, 1939"; and the sum of \$100,000 from "Railway Mail Service, salaries, 1939" to "Railway postal clerks, travel allowances, 1939."

The additional amounts required under the appropriations for "Contract air-mail service" for 1937, 1938, and 1939 are necessary to meet increases in rates of pay to air-mail contractors granted under orders of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The additional amount required under the appropriation "Railway postal clerks, travel allowances, 1939" is necessary to provide for increases in travel allowances prescribed by regulations issued by the Postmaster General after the date of approval of the Post Office Department Appropriation Act, for the fiscal year 1939.

The above provision affecting existing appropriations is necessary to meet contingencies which have arisen since the transmission to Congress of the Budgets for the fiscal years 1937, 1938, and 1939. I recommend that it be transmitted to Congress.

Very respectfully,

F. J. BAILEY, *Executive Assistant.*
(For and in the absence of the Acting Director.)

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